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RE: 23 CFR Parts 630, 635 and 636 – Design Build Contracting Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2005-22477

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed revised regulations for design-build contracting. The Associated General Contractors of Texas represents more than 800 member firms engaged in the highway, heavy, utilities, and industrial construction industry.

It is the belief of the membership of the AGC of Texas that the current definition of a *Qualified Project* found in 636.103 should not be revised as proposed in this rulemaking. We feel strongly that a qualified project should continue to be limited to a design-build project with a total estimated cost greater than \$50 million or an intelligent transportation system project greater than \$5 million.

We appreciate your consideration of our comments on this important action.

Sincerely,

Zack Burkett, III

President

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